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1. YOU CAN INFORM THE BOLIVIAN GOVERNMENT THAT AT THE PRESENT TIME THERE IS NO AGREEMENT WITH CHILE CONCERNING OPIC PROGRAMS AND OPIC IS NOT REPEAT NOT INSURING EQUITY INVESTMENTS THERE.

2. WE HAVE HELD INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT TO CONSIDER ARRANGEMENTS THAT COULD BE MADE ON REOPENING OPIC PROGRAMS IN CHILE.

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3. ARTICLE 51 IS ONLY ONE OF THE PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN REOPENING OPIC PROGRAMS IN BOLIVIA, BUT THE SOLUTIONS PROPOSED WOULD NOT RESOLVE THE ISSUES IN A SATISFACTORY MANNER.

4. YOU SHOULD SUGGEST TO THE GOB THAT IT MIGHT BE MORE PRODUCTIVE TO DISCUSS THE ISSUES MORE FULLY BILATERALLY AT THIS POINT.

5. WE AGREE THAT YOU SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT WE ARE NOT PRESSING THE GOB TO SEEK CHANGES IN DECISION 24 OR ANYWHERE ELSE IN ITS INTEGRATION POLICIES. KISSINGER

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